

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION - APRIL 5, 1993  
RED ROOM - COMMUNITY BUILDING

The Rowan County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session, on Monday, April 5, 1993, at 9:00 a.m., in the Red Room of the Community Building.

PRESENT: J. Newton Cohen, Chairman  
Thomas M. Webb, Vice-Chairman  
Jamima P. DeMarcus, Member  
Steven Todd Arey, Member

ABSENT: Charles H. Welch, Member

The County Manager, Finance Director, County Attorney, and Clerk to the Board were also in attendance.

Chairman Cohen called the meeting to order, and Commissioner DeMarcus gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The following Minutes were submitted for approval:

- \* March 8, 1993 (Regular)
- \* March 12-13-14, 1993 (Budget Retreat)
- \* March 28, 1993 (Adjourned-Legislators)

There being no corrections, Commissioner Arey made a motion to approve the Minutes as submitted. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

- \* Commissioner DeMarcus updated the Board on vendors participating in the 1993 Airport Open House. Proposed fees for vendors were:

\* Non-profit: \$50

\* Professional: 15% + setup fee

County Manager, Tim Russell, and Commissioner DeMarcus will finalize a fee schedule. Mr. Russell then gave current plans for the airshow.

- \* Commissioner Arey presented a petition from eastern- and southern-Rowan citizens, regarding the unfavorable locations of some mobile homes in the County. Commissioner DeMarcus suggested that this be directed to the Planning Board.
- \* County Manager, Tim Russell, presented four (4) airport grant resolutions for approval, as attached to these Minutes:

#9.9463934 for \$15,000                      #939463935 for \$37,500

#9.9463936 for \$ 4,000                      #9.9463937 for \$75,000

Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to approve all four (4). Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

\* Mr. Russell also discussed proposed construction of a taxiway to the Food Lion Hangar. Low bid was submitted by Jim L. Bost Construction, in the amount of \$118,000. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to accept the low bid. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following correspondence was submitted for review, as attached to these Minutes:

- \* Notice, from the Salisbury Planning Board, regarding their April 13th meeting, to consider re-zoning of the Davis Parking Lot, on North Main Street.
- \* From Warren County, a Resolution regarding involuntary annexation.

The Board accepted both as information.

ROAD PETITIONS:

The following Road Petition was submitted for approval:

\* For addition, Bayleaf Drive, in the Gold Hill Township

Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to approve the petition as submitted. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

TAX COLLECTOR:

Tax Collector, Wayne Simpson, presented the Preliminary March 1993 Report, as attached to these Minutes. He also introduced staff member, Mrs. Tonya Parnell, in attendance. Mr. Simpson requested authorization from the Board, to bill and collect for beer, wine and Schedule B licenses, which are due in May and June. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to grant authorization, as requested. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval.

Also, Mr. Simpson discussed the proposed "pro-rata cost sharing for municipal tax collection services". By consensus, the Board supported the concept of handling the collections on a contract basis, for all who participate. For the two municipalities who do not participate, it was agreed to be handled using a preparation fee plus 1-1/2%.

REQUEST FOR ACTION RE: RESOLUTION FROM UNION COUNTY:

The Board reviewed a petition from Union County, requesting prohibition of federally mandated local programs, as attached to these Minutes. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to also approve the resolution as presented. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded. Commissioner Arey suggested an amendment, inserting Rowan County's share of mandated programs into the resolution.

PUBLIC HEARING: Renaming of Roads:

Commissioner Arey made a motion to open the public hearing. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval. The following roads will be considered for renaming:

- \* Willie Joe Road
- \* Pipeline Road
- \* Harmony Lane
- \* Duke Drive
- \* John Michael Lane  
(unanimous)
- \* Blevins Lane
- \* Butterfly Lane
- \* Harley Drive
- \* Jacob Bost Rd. (from S.  
Railroad Ave.)

At this time, Chairman Cohen asked for anyone to speak for/against the proposed renamings. Mr. Harman Arrowood spoke against the renaming of Harmony Lane from Arrowood. Mr. Wayne Ashworth, EMS Director, stated that there was another "Arrowood" in existence, and will check to see which had the name first; therefore, a decision was delayed at this time. Mr. Randy Burrows (of Wildwood Acres) is having problems with his new address. Mr. Ashworth planned to meet with Mr. Burrows, to resolve, and will also check for duplication of name.

Vice-Chairman Webb then made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Arey seconded, with unanimous approval. Commissioner DeMarcus then made a motion to approve the renaming of all listed, with the exception of Harmony Lane. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval.

RECOGNITION OF RETIREE, BETTY HOLMES:

Chairman Cohen presented a Certificate of Appreciation to recent retiree, Ms. Betty Holmes, of the Cooperative Extension Office. Mr. Harold Caudill, Cooperative Extension Director, was also in attendance.

SPENCER SHOPS: MR. DICK MESSINGER:

Mr. Dick Messinger addressed the Board, regarding funding for the Spencer Shops Renovation Project. Mr. Messinger also introduced other committee members in attendance. Mr. Messinger distributed information regarding the project, as attached to these Minutes. The Board also reviewed visual information showing projected funding methods for the future renovation project. According to Mr. Messinger, this plan will return four (4) dollars of Federal funding for each dollar raised locally. Requested funding from the County for 1993-94 is \$100,000. The Board accepted as information.

PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE:

Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to open the public hearing. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval. County Manager Russell explained the proposed amendments, regarding flow-control of solid waste. Chairman Cohen then asked for public comments. With no one to speak for/against the proposed amendment, Commissioner Arey made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval. Vice-Chairman Webb then made a motion to grant authorization to make an application to the State regarding the proposed amendment. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

FORESTRY SERVICE: MR. WAYNE ALEXANDER:

Mr. Wayne Alexander, Forest Ranger, presented a written request, for the reallocation of \$1,600 to their budget, as attached to these Minutes. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to reinstate the \$1,600 in funding, as requested. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval.

APPROVAL OF SALE OF HERITAGE HOME:

The Board reviewed a copy of the contract, for the sale of the Heritage Home (\$140,500), as attached to these Minutes. Mr. Russell also distributed copies of the adjusted property survey, to members of the Board. The adjusted survey showed that the road would remain property of the County, that Mr. Tuttle would have an easement to the road. No road maintenance agreement is currently in place. Also, no deed can be found at the present. County Attorney, John Holshouser, explained legal procedure to handle the issue. Vice-Chairman Webb then made a motion to approve the sale as proposed. Commissioner Arey seconded, with unanimous approval.

PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD COMMITTEE: KEN DEAL:

Personnel Director, Ken Deal, addressed the Board, with a report from the Personnel Advisory Committee, as attached to these Minutes:

1. 1992-93 Classification Report, which included reclassification for fifteen (15) positions, effective 7/1/93. Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to approve the reclassifications,

as submitted. Commissioner Arey seconded, with unanimous approval.

2. Proposed change in the date of the Employee Appreciation Day, from May 15th until September 18, 1993. The change was proposed due to conflicts with other area events, on the same date. Also recommended, was the presentation of service awards to employees, at the picnic. Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to approve the changes and proposed service awards, with the exception that the design of the award (pin) be brought back to the Board prior to finalization. Commissioner Arey seconded, with unanimous approval.

3. Annual Report of Personnel Activities was reviewed. The Board accepted as information.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT:

Airport Engineering Services: County Manager Russell explained the Work Authorization from Espey, Huston & Associates, and that the money was already included in the current budget. Commissioner Arey made a motion to approve the engineering services as proposed. Vice-Chairman Webb seconded, with unanimous approval.

Refunds: Various refunds were reviewed for approval, as attached to these Minutes. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to approve the refunds as submitted. Chairman Cohen seconded, with unanimous approval.

Interest: The statement of interest was distributed for review, as attached to these Minutes.

#### BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Nursing Home Advisory Committee: Two (2) vacancies exist, due to the recent resignations of Ms. Diana Huffstutler, and Ms. Edna Shelton, as attached to these Minutes. A recent request for appointment of Mrs. Beth Austell, was reviewed, also attached. Commissioner Arey made a motion to appoint Mrs. Austell to fill one (1) position. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval. The other appointment was deferred to the May meeting.

#### City of Salisbury:

1. Request for Mr. Walter Morris to be reappointed as extraterritorial alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to approve. Chairman Cohen seconded, with unanimous approval.

2. Request for Dr. William Blair to be appointed as extraterritorial alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Commissioner Arey made a motion to approve. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

3. Request for Mr. T. J. Morgan to be appointed as extraterritorial alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Commissioner DeMarcus made a motion to approve. Commissioner Arey seconded, with unanimous approval.

Rowan Development Corporation: Due to the recent resignation of Mr. Hall Steele, one vacancy exists. Commissioner DeMarcus will contact suggested candidates, and bring a nomination to the May meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

\* Clerk to the Board, Denise Daugherty, requested updated information from Board members, regarding their correct positions as liaisons to local boards/committees. Chairman Cohen will provide this information to the Clerk.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Vice-Chairman Webb made a motion to go into Executive Session, to discuss the sale and purchase of County property. Commissioner DeMarcus seconded, with unanimous approval.

At conclusion, the motion was made and seconded, with unanimous approval, to return to Regular Session. Action resulted as follows:

\* The motion was the made to extend the lease of the Airport FBO, for an additional eighteen (18) months. The motion was seconded, and the vote was 3/1, with Chairman Cohen voting against.

\* The motion was made and seconded, with unanimous approval,

to accept the offer (tax value) to purchase property (Map 500-B, Parcel 152, Lot 8, Block 11), by Mr. Bill Funderburke.

There being no other business, the motion was made and seconded, with unanimous approval, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise B. Daugherty, CMC  
Clerk to the Board